

## ANACONDA NEWS.

## NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

These Are the Days When Commander Davidson Is Busy.

## COLUMBIA FALLS HOME

There Was a Misunderstanding About Reduced Rates to Buffalo from All Points West of the Mississippi—May Be Secured.

Alderman T. C. Davidson, who is the department commander of the G. A. R. for Montana, has returned from Columbia Falls, where he attended the meeting lately held of the State Soldier's home board. He reports that all the members of the board were in attendance and considerable business was transacted. He says that the home is in a good and thriving condition, and that it is well managed by Commander Hillman, who has it in charge.

The home has been opened but a short time, and the furnishings are not fully complete, but this is a difficulty which is not seriously felt at the present time.

A number of improvements are about to be made. A heating plant is to be put in, a stable is to be built and other minor and necessary improvements will be instituted.

So far there are only nine inmates, but there are a number of applications for admission which will be acted upon at an early date.

It is anticipated that the G. A. R. encampment, which begins at Buffalo on the 14th instant, will be the largest encampment ever held. Preparations are being made in that city for the entertainment of 300,000 visitors. It is to be hoped that Montana will be well represented. Commander Davidson is the mustering officer for this state. He has been making arrangements for members of his staff and comrades of this state to leave during this week for the scene of the demonstration.

Commander Davidson was of the opinion that special rates had been arranged for all who wished to attend the encampment from this state, but on investigation he found that the Western association had not made these arrangements. He immediately telegraphed to T. S. Clarkson, the commander-in-chief at the G. A. R. headquarters in Omaha, in reply to which he has received the following letter:

"T. C. Davidson, Department Commander Montana, Anacanda.

"Dear Sir and Comrade: Your telegram just received. I have at once called the attention of the Union Pacific railway to the fact that you are a member of the committee on transportation at Buffalo, requesting them to take the matter up at once by wire. I think if you had made application in advance to the railroad, rates would have been made. I am doing all I can for you and you will be advised. Yours truly,

"T. S. CLARKSON.

"Commander-in-Chief."

Every possible effort is being made by Commander Davidson to secure reduced rates for the Grand Army men of Montana, with the hopeful prospect that they will be secured.

For reliable plumbing, go to J. A. Hasley, 215 Oak street.

Special Excursion to Buffalo and Return via the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern R.R., August 21st, 22nd and 23rd. \$10.50 for the round trip from Chicago. A portion of the trip may be made by boat if desired in either direction without additional cost. Return limit may be extended to Sept. 20th. Full information will be furnished on application to J. E. Hull, T. P. A., 131 S. Sixth St., Chicago, or C. K. Wilber, A. G. P. A., Chicago.

A GOOD PERFORMANCE.

Drama of Merit Will Be Presented This Week.

Among the sterling attractions visiting Anacanda this season, none have achieved greater financial or artistic success than "Si Perkins," the rural drama, which opens at Evans opera house for two nights beginning August 8th. It is said that the play is particularly interesting from a dramatic point of view, being filled with strong situations and thrilling climaxes. As in plays of similar construction, "The Old Homestead," for instance, the central figure is an honest-hearted countryman, Si Perkins, who has come from New England, and is the agent for the Agitator Threshing Machine company. His special mission on earth is to benefit the farmers in general and his company in particular, taking care not to overlook No. 1. Cupid, in his arrowy attack upon the human heart, cares not whether the heart is contained in the bosom of the threshing machine agent or a Romeo; and Si is made a target of by the little god, who strikes him hard. The Yankee is proverbially lucky and shrewd—and whether it is luck or shrewdness on Si's part, he succeeds in circumventing the enemies of his loved one, and in spite of furious opposition marries her. During the action of the play many clever skits and specialties are introduced, and the burlesque band from Pughtown will brighten up the atmosphere with bursts of funny music. Manager Harpette will make the prices popular.

AT THE CHURCHES.

There will not be any services in the Christian church to-day. Elder Barnaby will take a vacation for a few weeks.

Latter-day Saints hold Sunday

school at 10 a. m. Regular service at 2 p. m. and 8 p. m. to-day in the Lyceum hall on Commercial avenue.

Special Mission, Hon. Ben E. Rich of Idaho will occupy the pulpit. The choir will render some very pleasing pieces of music. A hearty invitation is extended to the public. Latter-day

Saints travel and preach without purse or scrip and do not take up collections, all expenses being met by voluntary contributions of members.

First Baptist church—Services at Good Templars' hall, Mattie block, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. L. D. Clark will preach morning and evening.

Presbyterian church, Main street, near Fourth, George Wade Healy, pastor—Services to-day at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 12:15 p. m.

P. S. G. E. meeting at 7 o'clock this evening. The services to-day will be made pleasant by the assistance of a choir and an orchestra. All are very cordially invited to attend any or all of our services. The still hour this morning at 10:30 sharp.

The Swedish Baptists hold services to-day in the Scandinavian church as follows: Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. J. D. Johnson, pastor.

For sanitary plumbing, steam and hot water heating, see Young & Dezell.

HELENA WILL PLAY BALL.

Arrangements Have Been Made for a Good Game on Sunday.

A game of baseball will be played at the Athletic field on Sunday afternoon between the best club that the city of Helena can produce and the Anacanda team.

Negotiations have been going on for the past few days to make arrangements for this game, and it was on Friday evening that a telegram arrived stating that the club would be in hand.

This will be a good game of ball, as it is stated that the team in Helena is now composed of first-class players. They will require to be good, if they are to succeed in getting away with the home team on Sunday. Anacanda has a ball team at present in which great pride should be taken, in fact more than was manifested by the last attendance at the Athletic field. The members of the team are all justly popular for combining all the instincts of a gentleman with their ability to play ball. They have won many honors for their city and they are deserving of more liberal encouragement and patronage than they have lately received. It is a matter of no small expense to bring the club here from Helena on Sunday, and there ought to be a large crowd in attendance to see the game which is sure to prove a good one.

Should the attendance at to-day's game prove that the people of Anacanda still take an interest in their baseball club, the management will at once enter into negotiations with the strongest clubs in the state for a series of games at home. Miles City or Billings will probably play here in the near future and also the crack Salt Lake team.

Much complaint has been heard by the baseball men because of the 50 cent admission fee charged at the gate and it has been decided to reduce it materially. Game called at 2:30 p. m. Ladies free.

Following is the line-up of the two teams:

Helena. Position Anacanda

Goodman.....Pitcher.....Andrews

Kreiser.....Catcher.....Griffith

Goodyear.....First base.....Emerson

Robertson.....Second base.....Burton

Cavely.....Third base.....Hammond

Donahue.....Shortstop.....Lloyd

Walters.....Right field.....Moore

Center field.....Long

Left field.....McIntire

Substitute.....Daly

Moore and Long are recent acquisitions to the home team, and both are playing the outfield in a first-class manner and hitting the ball hard and often. The Anacandas are exceptionally strong in the bat this year, and opposing pitchers all agree that the Pirates are about the hardest batting aggregation of young amateurs to be found anywhere.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

And Delegates to the Grand Lodge Elected.

At their meeting held on Friday night, King Lodge No. 171, O. G. T. of this city, by their deputy, J. A. Johnson, installed the following officers:

Chief templar, J. H. Egbert; vice templar, Miss Beattie Nichols; secretary, Miss Beattie Nichols; assistant secretary, Miss Beattie Nichols; financial secretary, H. G. Coy; treasurer, A. B. McConnell; marshal, Miss Daisy Connors; deputy marshal, J. W. Turner; chaplain, Rev. W. T. Euster; guard, Harry Williams; sentinel, Clarence Wiles; organist, Miss Hester Eldridge. The following were elected delegates and alternates to represent King lodge at the grand lodge which opens at Great Falls on the first Wednesday in October: Egbert, Rev. W. T. Euster, J. H. Egbert, E. J. Edgcomb, Miss Daisy Connors, Alternates—Miss Fannie White, Miss Harriet Wright, W. J. Giles, Miss Ella Williams.

Wicked Ways of the Wild Hog.

"The peccary, or wild hog, of Mexico," said C. W. Bartlett of Lawrence, Tex., "seems utterly devoid of fear and is the most vicious of brutes. I have never seen it turn a hair's breadth out of its path for any living thing. Man is its enemy, but it is not afraid of him. It is intelligent in fighting the human, strangely at variance with its apparently complete lack of mental attributes, save the very lowest order of intellect. They are rarely found singly, but go in droves of from hundreds to thousands. Their ability to scent man is particularly marked. I have known a drove of them to scent a man a mile off and strike as straight for him as an arrow flies. There is no use to try to frighten them with guns. The only thing to do when they get after you is to run away from them as fast as a horse can carry you. And then there is no certainty that they won't catch you. They are nearly as swift as a horse and their endurance is as great as their viciousness.

"A friend of mine encountered a drove of them in a wild part of Mexico a few years ago and his escape was miraculous. He very foolishly shot and wounded a number of them. Then he took refuge in a tree. The peccaries kept him in the tree all day and through the night. They climbed round the tree, grunting and squealing their delight at the prospect of a feast. He soon exhausted his ammunition and brought down a peccary at each fire. But this had no effect on the beasts. Along toward morning the brute began to eat the ones he had killed and when they satiated the cravings of their stomachs they formed in line and trotted off. The wild cats and tigers that infest the Mexican woods flee from the peccaries with instinctive fear, and even rattlesnakes keep out of their path.

Couldn't Have Too Much of Her.

From "7th-Hits."

Minnie—I want to introduce you to a young lady—a very nice young lady—and she's worth her weight in gold.

Bob—Stout girl, I hope.

## ABOUT THE CITY.

Tents for rent at Greig's.

Com'l college, new Davidson block.

Cut prices on shoes. People's store.

Shot guns for rent at Greig's.

Ball game at Anacanda park to-day.

Baths, Montana hotel barber shop, 25c.

First class board at 215 West Park.

Free admission to the Anacanda park today.

Greig has a snap in a bicycle at \$10. "Come on, boys."

Bunting in any quantity 5c a yard at Losee & Maxwell's.

First class mixed paints \$1.50 a gallon at F. B. Wright's.

More styles and largest stock of wall paper at Mahan Bros'.

C. F. Arnold was in the city yesterday from his mining camp at Breen's Lake.

Clean, comfortable beds, \$1 to \$2 per week. The Arlington, corner Oak and First streets.

Mrs. J. E. Young and son will leave for Tacoma, Wash., Wednesday morning for an absence of two months.

Nicholson's liquid bread is a substitute for all alcoholic drinks, most of which are too stimulating for delicate constitutions.

Everybody will decorate for Bryan's reception. Place your orders for bunting now with Losee & Maxwell.

An action has been brought against the Deer Lodge Sheep company to foreclose a mortgage of \$5,000 in favor of W. H. Sweet and E. H. Metcalf.

Sisson's Business College at the Davidson building has begun the publication of a monthly college journal. The first issue of 4,000 copies will be ready to mail in a few days.

To contractors: Bids are wanted for constructing a one-story brick store room. Plans and specifications may be seen at M. Hammerslough's jewelry store until August 10.

The board of health of the city of Anacanda met yesterday and elected Dr. Spellman president and Dr. McKenzie secretary, after which an adjournment was taken until next Tuesday.

About two weeks ago Ed. Gibson lost his bicycle. It was taken from the curb on Main street, opposite Daly & Marston's saloon. He valued the wheel at \$75. Constable J. J. Walsh recovered the stolen article on Friday last, but it could not be discovered who took the wheel away.

Get your bunting early at Losee & Maxwell's. You may be too late.

At the Montana: Oscar Rittenburg, D. E. Conham, St. Paul; J. Jacobson, San Francisco; H. G. Day, St. Paul; Louis Slicker, Salt Lake; R. F. Casey, Minneapolis; Chas. Schatzlein, Butte; P. P. Johnston, Lexington, Ky; M. C. Deillon, Frank, K. Ward, St. Paul; Julius Sulten, San Francisco.

The Anacanda Turn-Verein will give a grand gymnastic exhibition and ball on Monday evening, Aug. 16, at their hall, for the benefit of the active Turners to defray expenses in going to Helena to participate in the Montana state prize tournament, Aug. 21, 22 and 23, 1897. Tickets 50 cents; ladies free.

A 25-day sojourn in the National Park will be enjoyed by J. M. Godard, C. B. Shryock, Carl Newman and W. G. Van Eman of this city. The boys will make the entire trip on their wheels, and will have with them a cook and a wagon load of provisions. Godard and Shryock started yesterday morning with the team and cook. Newman and Van Eman will start at an early hour this morning.

The board of county commissioners will meet on Monday Aug. 9, not only to complete their duties as a board of equalization, but also to make the annual levy for taxes. The levy will be made for county purposes, road purposes, a bridge fund, a poor fund, a bond and interest fund, stock, detective and inspector fund, a stock indemnity fund, a bounty fund, a sheep inspection and indemnity fund, the state tax and the common school fund tax. There will also be levies on interest on bonds, and in some cases, the bonds themselves.

YUKON BY AIR LINE.

Milwaukee Capitalists Plan a Boom for Alaska Mines.

From a Milwaukee Special.

A number of Milwaukee capitalists have conceived a fine scheme for amassing wealth in connection with the development of the new gold fields of the Yukon district.

The little home-loving messenger pigeon is the agent which the Milwaukee promoters have in view as the means for making millions of dollars during the few exciting years which are expected to ensue in the development of the arctic circle. The company about to be organized bids fair to rival the Western Union Telegraph company as a winner of dividends and the associated press as a disseminator of news. It will be known as the Great Alaska and North British Pigeograph company.

TO OVERCOME DISTANCE.

The purpose of the Great Alaska and North British Pigeograph company is to open up a line of communication between Seattle or Victoria and the various new mining camps of British Columbia and Alaska, along the basins of the Yukon and Klondike rivers. At present the nearest dispatch of the new country during the next few years will be left in ignorance of what is transpiring in the civilized world unless some means of communication can be opened up that will be rapid and inexpensive. The Milwaukee people believe they have solved this problem and hence the proposed organization of the Pigeograph company.

PURPOSE OF THE SCHEME.

It is expected that the boom in Alaska and North British mining stocks will be one of the wildest in the history of the world. The stock exchanges in New York, London and other places must be supplied with news regarding the rich strikes along the Klondike and the Yukon. The explorations of the thousand or more companies which will be organized to work claims along the

arctic circle will be watched with great interest. Alaskan mining companies will want information at frequent intervals as to the earnings of the mines, while investors in the smaller enterprises will be anxiously awaiting intelligence of the discovery of pay dirt at the property in which they are most interested.

It is consequently argued by the Milwaukee men that the few million investors in Alaskan and North British mining stocks will not be content with news several months old regarding their investments. This is the void in the financial world which the Great Alaska and North British Pigeograph company hopes to fill.

Milwaukee possesses singular inducements for the organization of such a company, inasmuch as a number of its leading citizens own large covers of carrier pigeons which have the reputation of being among the fleetest in the world. These will be used in breeding birds for flight along the Pacific coast and in the interior of Alaska. Some of the breeders have made marvelous records in Europe, traveling from 500 to 700 miles in a single day. It is consequently reasonable to suppose that their offspring will be fully as rapid and as unerring in flight as the parents.

THE STARTING POINT.

The idea is to transfer a number of these breeders to Victoria, the nearest telegraphic station to the Klondike district, and a number of them to Juneau and Dawson City, in the heart of the new El Dorado. It is believed that after the birds shall have been properly trained by frequent flights over the country between Dawson City and Juneau, a distance of about 600 miles, they will be able to cover that extent of territory in about 24 hours. The birds whose home coasts are located in Victoria, it is believed, can reach that place in less than 20 hours after being released from Juneau, a trip that is seldom made in less than three or four days by steamboat, although on one occasion it was made from Sitka in 49 hours. With such a line of communication opened up it ought to be possible for a message written in the frozen interior of Alaska to reach the most distant parts of the world within a few days. The experience of the arctic explorer, Nansen, with carrier pigeons in the ice fields near the North Pole has demonstrated the practicability of using these birds in Alaska during the coldest months of winter.

The scheme is a simple one, and needs only a guarantee of a moderate amount of business to make it a success. Inasmuch as it costs \$2 to get a newspaper into the Klondike district, and \$1 for a letter, after they have been over 40 days in transit, it is believed the prosperous miners of the new region would be willing to pay a handsome subsidy toward such an enterprise. The New York and London stock exchanges could also probably be depended upon for patronage, so that the undertaking is not near as visionary as it would ordinarily appear upon a superficial examination.

COG THAT HANGED HIMSELF.

Evidence That Rumor Drove Him to a Suicide's Grave.

Thomas L. Rushmore, a resident of a Long Island village, recently purchased a black collier for \$25. He took it to his home in Ontario, but the animal made so much disturbance that the wealthy residents who have homes near by began to complain. He would howl and bark all night and in the day time chase the children. Some of the residents, it is said, took to their yachts and anchored in the middle of the sound in order to obtain rest.

Mr. Rushmore was very sorry for his neighbors' predicament, but as he had invested \$25 he hoped that something would happen to relieve him of the necessity which seemed imminent, of taking the dog's life.

He went out on his morning walk, and on reaching the stables the coachman came running out excitedly, saying that the dog had committed suicide.

The colic hung by his neck on the high fence, his legs fully four feet from the ground. The neighbors passing in their carriages were much relieved when Mr. Rushmore called their attention to the peculiar tragedy and assured them that the cause of their sleepless nights had passed away.

Provision for Both.

From the San Francisco Post.

Smith walked up Market street the other evening with a box of candy under one arm and a big package of meat under the other.

"Hello, Smith," said Brown, "gone to housekeeping? I didn't know you were married."

"I'm not yet."

"What are you doing with that candy and meat, then?"

"Going to see my girl."

"Explain to me, then, the family with meat already? I have to square myself with both."

"Oh no; the candy is for the girl and the meat is for the dog. I have to square myself with both."

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